



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

BEVAN et al.

Serial No.: 09/486,715

Filed: May 24, 2000

or: ANALYTICAL METHOD AN APPARATUS THEREFOR

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for TWO (2) months to February 25, 2003.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) for a two month extension of time is \$410.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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